shall be considered as read. The rule waives all points of order against that amendment in the nature of a substitute. The rule makes in order only those further amendments printed in part C of the Rules Committee report. Each such amendment may be offered only in the order printed in the report, may be offered only by a Member designated in the report, shall be considered as read, shall be debatable for the time specified in the report equally divided and controlled by the proponent and an opponent, shall not be subject to amendment, and shall not be subject to a demand for division of the question. The rule waives all points of order against the amendments printed in part C of the report. The rule provides one motion to recommit with or without instructions. The rule provides that House Resolution 507 is hereby adopted. The rule provides that it shall be in order at any time on the legislative day of July 25, 2019, or July 26, 2019, for the Speaker to entertain motions that the House suspend the rules as though under clause 1 of rule XV. The Speaker or her designee shall consult with the Minority Leader or his designee on the designation of any matter for consideration pursuant to this section. Section 5 of the rule provides that on any legislative day during the period from July 29, 2019, through September 6, 2019: the Journal of the proceedings of the previous day shall be considered as approved; and the Chair may at any time declare the House adjourned to meet at a date and time to be announced by the Chair in declaring the adjournment. The rule provides that the Speaker may appoint Members to perform the duties of the Chair for the duration of the period addressed by section 5 of the resolution. Finally, the rule provides that each day during the period addressed by section 5 of the resolution: shall not constitute a calendar day for the purposes of section 7 of the War Powers Resolution; shall not constitute a legislative day for the purposes of clause 7 of rule XIII; and shall not constitute a legislative day for the purposes of clause 7 of rule XV. Testimony was heard from Chairman Neal, Chairman Scott of Virginia, Chairman Lofgren, and Representatives Brady of Texas, Foxx of North Carolina, Grothman, Estes, and Collins of Georgia.

## LEARNING FROM WHISTLEBLOWERS AT THE DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations concluded a hearing entitled "Learning from Whistleblowers at the Department of Veterans Affairs". Testimony was heard from Tamara Bonzanto, Assistant Secretary for Accountability and Whistleblower Protection, Department of Veterans Affairs; Michael Missal, Inspector General, Department of Veterans Affairs; Henry Kerner, Spe-

cial Counsel, U.S. Office of Special Counsel; Tristan Leavitt, General Counsel/Acting Chief Executive and Administrative Officer, Merit Systems Protection Board; and public witnesses.

### Joint Meetings

### **ENERGY AND POWER IN EUROPE**

Commission on Security and Cooperation in Europe: Commission received a briefing on pipeline politics, focusing on energy and power in Europe from Colin Cleary, Director for Energy Diplomacy for Europe, Western Hemisphere and Africa, Department of State; Ed Chow, Center for Strategic and International Studies, and David Koranyi, Atlantic Council, both of Washington, D.C.; and Efgan Nifti, Caspian Policy Center, Arlington, Virginia.

# COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR WEDNESDAY, JULY 24, 2019

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

#### Senate

Committee on Armed Services: to hold hearings to examine the expected nomination of David L. Norquist to be Deputy Secretary of Defense, 10 a.m., SD–G50.

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: business meeting to consider S. 496, to preserve United States fishing heritage through a national program dedicated to training and assisting the next generation of commercial fishermen, S. 893, to require the President to develop a strategy to ensure the security of next generation mobile telecommunications systems and infrastructure in the United States and to assist allies and strategic partners in maximizing the security of next generation mobile telecommunications systems, infrastructure, and software, S. 1148, to amend title 49, United States Code, to require the Administrator of the Federal Aviation Administration to give preferential consideration to individuals who have successfully completed air traffic controller training and veterans when hiring air traffic control specialists, S. 1341, to adopt a certain California flammability standard as a Federal flammability standard to protect against the risk of upholstered furniture flammability, S. 1349, to expand enrollment in TSA PreCheck to expedite commercial travel screening and improve airport security, S. 1625, to promote the deployment of commercial fifthgeneration mobile networks and the sharing of information with communications providers in the United States regarding security risks to the networks of those providers, S. 1822, to require the Federal Communications Commission to issue rules relating to the collection of data with respect to the availability of broadband services, S. 1858, to ensure the Chief Information Office of the Consumer Product Safety Commission has a significant role in decisions related to information technology, proposed legislation entitled, "Regional Ocean Partnership

Act", S. 2035, to require the Transportation Security Administration to develop a strategic plan to expand eligibility for the PreCheck Program to individuals with Transportation Worker Identification Credentials or Hazardous Materials Endorsements, S. 2134, to extend the transfer of Electronic Travel Authorization System fees from the Travel Promotion Fund to the Corporation for Travel Promotion (Brand USA) through fiscal year 2027, and a promotion list in the Coast Guard; to be immediately followed by hearings to examine the nominations of Theodore Rokita, of Indiana, to be a Director of the Amtrak Board of Directors, Jennifer L. Homendy, of Virginia, and Michael Graham, of Kansas, both to be a Member of the National Transportation Safety Board, Carl Whitney Bentzel, of Maryland, to be a Federal Maritime Commissioner, Michael J.K. Kratsios, of South Carolina, to be an Associate Director of the Office of Science and Technology Policy, and Ian Paul Steff, of Indiana, to be Assistant Secretary of Commerce and Director General of the United States and Foreign Commercial Service, 10:30 a.m., SH-216.

Committee on Environment and Public Works: to hold hearings to examine the Theodore Roosevelt Genius Prize, focusing on innovative solutions to reduce human-predator conflict, 10 a.m., SD–406.

Committee on Finance: to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Brent James McIntosh, of Michigan, to be an Under Secretary, Brian Callanan, of New Jersey, to be General Counsel, and Brian McGuire, of New York, to be a Deputy Under Secretary, all of the Department of the Treasury, and Travis Greaves, of the District of Columbia, to be a Judge of the United States Tax Court for a term of fifteen years, 10:15 a.m., SD-215.

Committee on Foreign Relations: to hold hearings to examine authorities for the use of military force, 10:15 a.m., SD-419.

Subcommittee on Africa and Global Health Policy, to hold hearings to examine confronting Ebola, focusing on addressing a 21st century global health crisis, 2:30 p.m., SD\_419

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs: business meeting to consider S. 2162, to require the Commissioner of U.S. Customs and Border Protection to annually hire at least 600 new Border Patrol agents, to report quarterly to Congress on the status of the Border Patrol workforce, and to conduct a comprehensive staffing analysis, S. 1976, to amend the FAST Act to improve the Federal permitting process, S. 2065, to require the Secretary of Homeland Security to publish an annual report on the use of deepfake technology, S. 2183, to require the Comptroller General of the United States to analyze certain legislation in order prevent duplication of and overlap with existing Federal programs, offices, and initiatives, S. 2177, to provide taxpayers with an improved understanding of Government programs through the disclosure of cost, performance, and areas of duplication among them, leverage existing data to achieve a functional Federal program inventory, S. 2169, to amend section 3116 of title 5, United States Code, to clarify the applicability of the appointment limitations for students appointed under the expedited hiring authority for post-secondary students, S. 2107, to increase the number of CBP Agriculture Specialists and support staff in the Office of Field Operations of U.S. Customs and Border Protection, S. 2193, to require the Administrator of General Services to issue guidance to clarify that Federal agencies may pay by charge card for the charging of Federal electric motor vehicles, S. 764, to provide for congressional approval of national emergency declarations, S. 439, to allow Members of Congress to opt out of the Federal Employees Retirement System, and allow Members who opt out of the Federal Employees Retirement System to continue to participate in the Thrift Savings Plan, S. 2119, to amend title 5, United States Code, to appropriately limit the authority to award bonuses to Federal employees, H.R. 2590, to require a Department of Homeland Security overseas personnel enhancement plan, H.R. 3305, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 2509 George Mason Drive in Virginia Beach, Virginia, as the "Ryan Keith Cox Post Office Building", and the nominations of Chad F. Wolf, of Virginia, to be Under Secretary for Strategy, Policy, and Plans, and William Bryan, of Virginia, to be Under Secretary for Science and Technology, both of the Department of Homeland Security, Robert M. Duncan, of Kentucky, to be a Governor of the United States Postal Service, Ann C. Fisher, of the District of Columbia, and Ashley Jay Elizabeth Poling, of North Carolina, both to be a Commissioner of the Postal Regulatory Commission, Catherine Bird, of Texas, to be General Counsel of the Federal Labor Relations Authority, and Rainey R. Brandt, and Shana Frost Matini, both to be an Associate Judge of the Superior Court of the District of Columbia, 9:30 a.m., SD-342.

Committee on Indian Affairs: business meeting to consider S. 2159, to repeal the Act entitled "An Act to confer jurisdiction on the State of North Dakota over offenses committed by or against Indians on the Devils Lake Indian Reservation"; to be immediately followed by a hearing to examine the nomination of E. Sequoyah Simermeyer, of Maryland, to be Chairman of the National Indian Gaming Commission, 2:30 p.m., SD–628.

Committee on Rules and Administration: to hold an oversight hearing to examine the Government Publishing Office, Office of the Inspector General, 11 a.m., SR-301.

Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship: business meeting to markup an original bill entitled, "Small Business Administration Reauthorization Act", 2:30 p.m., S-115, Capitol.

### House

Committee on Appropriations, Subcommittee on the Departments of Labor, Health and Human Services, Education, and Related Agencies, hearing entitled "Oversight of the Unaccompanied Children Program: Ensuring the Safety of Children in HHS Care", 9 a.m., 2359 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice, Science, and Related Agencies, budget and oversight hearing on the White House Office of Science and Technology Policy, 10:15 a.m., 2358–A Rayburn.

Subcommittee on the Department of Homeland Security, oversight hearing on the U.S. Customs and Border Protection—Border Patrol, 2 p.m., 2359 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Interior, Environment, and Related Agencies, hearing entitled "Bureau of Indian Education, Education Construction", 3 p.m., 2008 Rayburn.

Committee on the Budget, Full Committee, hearing entitled "The Costs of Climate Change: From Coasts to Heartland, Health to Security", 10 a.m., 210 Cannon.

Committee on Energy and Commerce, Subcommittee on Environment and Climate Change, hearing entitled "Building America's Clean Future: Pathways to Decarbonize the Economy", 10 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Consumer Protection and Commerce, hearing entitled "Legislation to Make Cars in America Safer", 10:30 a.m., 2322 Rayburn.

Committee on Financial Services, Full Committee, hearing entitled "The Next Megabank? Examining the Proposed Merger of SunTrust and BB&T", 10 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

Committee on Foreign Affairs, Subcommittee on the Middle East, North Africa, and International Terrorism, hearing entitled "The FY20 Budget: State Department Counterterrorism and Countering Violent Extremism Bureau", 2 p.m., 2172 Rayburn.

Committee on the Judiciary, Full Committee, hearing entitled "Oversight of the Report on the Investigation into Russian Interference in the 2016 Presidential Election: Former Special Counsel Robert S. Mueller, III", 8:30 a.m., 2141 Rayburn.

Committee on Natural Resources, Subcommittee on Energy and Mineral Resources, hearing on H.R. 934, the "Health Benefits for Miners Act of 2019"; and H.R. 935, the "Miners Pension Protection Act", 10 a.m., 1324 Longworth.

Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, hearing entitled "The Status of the Reclamation Fund and the Bureau of Reclamation's Future Infrastructure Funding Needs", 2 p.m., 1324 Longworth.

Committee on Oversight and Reform, Subcommittee on Economic and Consumer Policy, hearing entitled "Exam-

ining JUUL's Role in the Youth Nicotine Epidemic: Part I", 9 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Civil Rights and Civil Liberties, hearing entitled "Beyond the Citizenship Question: Repairing the Damage and Preparing to Count 'We the People'", 2 p.m., 2154 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Environment, hearing entitled "The Devil They Knew—PFAS Contamination and the Need for Corporate Accountability", 2 p.m., 2247 Rayburn.

Committee on Rules, Full Committee, hearing on H.R. 2203, the "Homeland Security Improvement Act"; and H.R. 3877, the "Bipartisan Budget Act of 2019", 3 p.m., H–313 Capitol.

Committee on Science, Space, and Technology, Full Committee, markup on H.R. 3597, the "Solar Energy Research and Development Act of 2019"; H.R. 3607, the "Fossil Energy Research and Development Act of 2019"; H.R. 3609, the "Wind Energy Research and Development Act of 2019"; and H.R. 335, the "South Florida Clean Coastal Waters Act of 2019", 10 a.m., 2318 Rayburn

Committee on Small Business, Full Committee, hearing entitled "Is the Tax Cuts and Jobs Act a Help or Hinderance to Main Street?", 11:30 a.m., 2360 Rayburn.

Committee on Veterans' Affairs, Full Committee, hearing entitled "True Transparency? Assessing Wait Times Five Years after Phoenix", 10 a.m., HVC-210.

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence, Full Committee, hearing entitled "Former Special Counsel Robert S. Mueller, III on the Investigation into Russian Interference in the 2016 Presidential Election", 12 p.m., 2141 Rayburn.

Select Committee on the Modernization of Congress, Full Committee, hearing entitled "Modernizing Legislative Information Technologies: Lessons from the States", 2 p.m., 2020 Rayburn.